



the doj & cd

Department:
Justice and Constitutional Development
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

MEDIA ADVISORY

04 MARCH 2021

GOVERNMENT TO LAUNCH HUMAN RIGHTS MONTH 2021 IN DIMBAZA, EAST LONDON

The Sport, Arts and Culture Minister, Mr. Nathi Mthethwa together with Justice and Correctional Services Minister, Mr. Ronald Lamola invite members of the media to the launch of Human Rights Month on Friday, 05 March 2021 at Moses Tswede Community hall in Dimbaza, East London in the Eastern Cape.

The 2021 Human Rights Month Launch will take place under the theme, ***“THE YEAR OF CHARLOTTE MAXEKE: PROMOTING HUMAN RIGHTS IN THE AGE OF COVID-19”***. This year's theme pays tribute to the 150th anniversary of the liberation struggle heroine and human rights campaigner, Charlotte Maxeke.

Joined by the Eastern Cape Provincial Department of Sport, Recreation Arts and Culture MEC, Ms. Fezeka Nkomonye, Minister Mthethwa and Minister Lamola will unveil the 2021 Human Rights Month long programme of activities.

Given the growing scourge of Gender Based Violence & Femicide (GBVF) and the human need for healing, the Government will launch the 2021 Human Rights Month programme through a national dialogue on human rights violation and GBVF and other social ill. A panel of experts will also engage and deliberate on issues of nation building and social cohesion.

Prior the dialogue, Ministers and their entourage will also lead a 5km walk to intensify Government's stance on human rights violation and GBVF matters. The 5km walk will start and end at the Moses Tswede Community hall from **08h30 – 09h30**.

NB: - In adherence to COVID regulations, the media is encouraged to RSVP prior to attending.

Launch event & the Dialogue will unfold as follows:

Date: 05 March 2021

Time: 10h00-12h00

Venue: Moses Tswede Community Hall in Dimbaza, East London in the Eastern Cape Province.

The event will also be streamed live from DSAC social media platforms as follows:

Facebook: @SportArtsCultureRSA

Youtube: @SportArtsCultureRSA

Instagram: @SportArtsCultureRSA

Twitter: @SportArtsCulture

END

RSVPs & Media enquiries: Mthuthuzeli Nqumba at 066 302 5397;
Mthuthuzelin@dsac.gov.za and Ms Susan Mphuthi on 083 672 5805 or
Smphuthi@justice.gov.za.

Other enquiries please kindly contact: Ms. Zimasa Velaphi (Head of Communications and Marketing), Cell: 072 172 8925 / Email:
Zimasav@dsac.gov.za or Mr Steve Mahlangu (Spokesperson for Department of

Justice and Constitutional Development) on 079 878 7587 or
Stmahlangu@justice.gov.za

**Issued by the National Department of Justice and Constitutional
Development**